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CHINESE FUSILLADING OF RIVER STEAMERS.

British, American and Japanese Gunboats to Force Passage.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, March 1.

Six British, American and Japanese gunboats, with four river steamers and two tugs, left Hankow on March 8 for Ichang, to force a passage, owing to the Chinese fusillading. Landing preparations have been made.

[Reuter's Telegrams.]

THE LONDON AIR RAID.

Some Marvellous Escapes.

London, March 8.

Several bombs in last night's air raid fell in a residential London suburb and destroyed five houses and a private nursing home. The remarkable experiences include an instance of a domestic maid being blown to a top storey and suffering only a sprained ankle. Two women escaped uninjured by placing a blown-off door upon a bed and crawling thereunder as the house collapsed. A number of victims perished under the debris till this afternoon were rescued alive, some of which were sustained by oxygen and other stimulants. A man fell four storeys and escaped very serious injury, despite a piano crashing on top of him, owing to his being enveloped in a carpet during his fall. A girl from the top storey of a demolished house was caught by a projecting wall and hung in mid-air unconscious for two hours, when she was rescued by firemen.

THE SPANISH CRISIS.

The Gravest in Her History.

London, March 9.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Madrid, the newspapers unanimously consider that Spain is experiencing the gravest crisis in her history. The crisis has been precipitated by the action of Senator Cierva, Minister of War, in writing to the Press without the knowledge of his colleagues, attacking Senator Sanchez Boas, formerly President of the Senate, who had been criticising Senator Cierva's methods. The Premier, Senator Prieto, has abandoned his task of forming a Cabinet, as Senator Cierva has refused to join the Liberal Coalition Government. The measures which Senator Cierva proposed to enforce by Royal Decree involved an increase of two hundred million pesetas in the Army estimates, including a big increase in the pay of officers and large additions to infantry and artillery.

THE RUMANIAN PEACE.

Central Powers Propose an Indemnity.

London, March 9.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, the *Cologne Gazette* says that the Central Powers intend to impose an indemnity on Rumania, this taking the form of writing off the Central Powers' requisitions during occupation, which are valued at a milliard marks.

German Hopes.

London, March 8.

Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent states that the German newspapers anticipate that the peace with Rumania will shortly have effects in Greece and also in Italy.

The *Berlin Tagblatt* says the Quadruple considers that the Bessarabian question must be settled between Russia and Rumania, which can leave its Army, apart from the eight Divisions which are to be demobilised, under arms until it has conquered Bessarabia and arranged for its protection against Russia.

THE RUSSIAN PEACE.

Further Repudiation of Treaty.

London, March 8.

Following the lead of the Embassies in Paris and Rome, the Russian Embassy at Madrid has announced that it does not recognise the Brest-Litovsk Peace Treaty, because the signatories are private persons with undefined powers.

NAVAL AIRMEN'S RAIDS.

London, March 10.

The Admiralty announces that aircraft dropped many bombs on billets and railway sidings at St. Pierre Oeselle. Direct hits were obtained on three sheds and fire was started. We also bombed a large hostile machine which had made a forced landing and machine-gunned soldiers and motors in the vicinity. We brought down one machine. All ours returned.

THE ENGINEERS' DISPUTE.

London, March 9.

Mr. Barnes, speaking in London, said a meeting between the Premier and himself, and representatives of the Engineers' Society, would probably result in the latter heartily co-operating with the Government.

TIN AND TUNGSTEN.

London, March 8.

Sir Lionel Phillips has been appointed Chairman of the newly-formed Tin and Tungsten Research Board, which has in view the increasing of the recovery of the metal in the treatment of ores.

"TANK WEEK."

London, March 8.

At the conclusion of "Tank Week," Mr. Bonar Law sent a message to the Lord Mayor heartily congratulating him on the amount of the City's contribution to the War Bond campaign, and although the total returns of the whole country are not yet received, it is certain that much more than the hundred millions asked for have been subscribed. This is an additional proof of the determination of our people to hold fast until the aims for which we entered the war have been secured.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

LIVELY FIGHTING IN THE WEST.

Big Enemy Attack Completely Fails.

London, March 9.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—The enemy attacked last evening, under the cover of a heavy bombardment, on a front of nearly a mile from south of the Menin Road to the north of Polderhoek Chateau. Despite his intense artillery fire and determined attack, we repulsed him at all points, with the exception of in the neighbourhood of Polderhoek, where the enemy entered some of our advanced posts on a front of two hundred yards. We recaptured the whole of the positions after all-night severe fighting. We drove off raiders to the east of Neuve Chapelle. The Portuguese captured several prisoners in a successful raid in this neighbourhood. The West Kents made a successful raid to the south of Fleux Baix, taking a number of prisoners.

Good Work by King's Royal Rifles.

Later.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—The King's Royal Rifles broke the main force of yesterday's attack in the neighbourhood of Polderhoek. The enemy's losses were severe, and the short section of trench which remained in his hands was recaptured, despite strong resistance, by the Royal Fusiliers. A few prisoners were captured. The Portuguese penetrated to the second line trenches in the Neuve Chapelle raid reported this morning, driving off the garrison with heavy losses, bombing or blowing up a number of occupied dug-outs and bringing back prisoners. The Portuguese casualties were light. We raided trenches to the north of the Bapaume-Cambrai Road. The London Regiment raided in the neighbourhood of Oppy, killing several and taking a few prisoners. There is increased activity by hostile artillery to the north of the La Bassée Canal.

A German Report.

London, March 10.

A German wireless official message states:—A hostile infantry attack was followed by a violent artillery duel in the Bidonville sector. The engagements have not yet terminated.

Our Aviators Busy.

London, March 10.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, says:—There was great aerial activity yesterday. We dropped over four hundred bombs on dumps and sidings at Menin, Basigny, Gaise, and to the east of St. Quentin. We brought down thirteen and drove down ten machines, while three of ours are missing. Despite mist, our night fliers dropped twenty-four heavy and forty-eight lighter bombs on a dump and railway sidings at Fresnoy, north-east of St. Quentin. All returned. We dropped ten bombs at midday to-day with good results on barracks, railway sidings and factories at Meins, a large fire being started. All our machines returned.

Details of Heavy Fighting.

London, March 9.

Reuter's correspondent at the British Headquarters states:—Yesterday there was very heavy fighting near the Paschendaele salient. The enemy throughout the whole of the previous night heavily bombarded the whole front from Wersceon to Langemark, freely employing gas-shells. Troops were employed in a subsequent attack on a mile front to the south of Houthulst Forest and met the enemy with such vigorous resistance that the oncoming waves broke and retired in most places. The right flank attack, however, by *flammenwerfer* parties, forced the garrisons of some posts to withdraw to supports in the rear. A little later, the Yorkshire Light Infantry counter-attacked with great dash. The enemy, who was very strong, lined up and prepared to resist, but the fury of the onslaught created a panic and the enemy broke. Our men pushed on three hundred yards from the spot at which the enemy attacked, inflicting considerable casualties. The line was completely restored during the morning. There has been heavy artillery firing all day for a strident the Menin Road, succeeded by the advance of a large body of infantry covered by an intense barrage. The infantry deployed three thousand yards. Furious fighting ensued in the twilight. The struggle was very confused. The enemy succeeded in establishing himself at a few posts which submitted to our artillery fire all night long. The weather is ideal.

On the Belgian Front.

London, March 10.

A Belgian communique states:—There have been two Belgian raids in the region of Nieupoort. We killed many and brought back 25 prisoners. We captured a German post. The enemy's raiding outburst last week resulted in a recrudescence of artillery firing on the whole front.

More Successful Raids.

London, March 10.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—In successful raids to the north-west of St. Quentin and south-west of Cambrai several of the enemy were killed and a few taken prisoner. Artillery is active to the east of Wytschete and in the neighbourhood of the Menin Road.

Enemy Lines Penetrated.

London, March 10.

A French communique states:—We repulsed raids to the south of Betheny, on the left bank of the Meuse, and in the Vosges. We inflicted losses on the enemy and took prisoners. Detachments penetrated enemy lines to the east of the Anberive region and at Badonvillers, destroying several enemy works and taking prisoners.

KAISER'S PROPERTY IN AMERICA.

To be Sold for Benefit of War Bonds.

London, March 9.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington says the property owned in the United States by the Kaiser, Herr von Bethmann-Hollweg, the Junker class generally and the German Government, would at first be sold under authority granted to Mr. Palmer, Custodian of Alien Property, to sell alien property in the United States.

Mr. Palmer, testifying to the Appropriations Committee of the Senate, said the enemy should know that the connection he has been able to maintain with American industry and commerce has been broken, not merely for the duration of the war, but permanently. Mr. Palmer said American interests in Germany were negligible compared with German interests in the United States. He intended to use the proceeds of the sale of enemy property to buy Government bonds.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN MENACE IN THE EAST.

A Gigantic Scheme of World Conquest.

London, March 10.

Lord Robert Cecil, in a conversation with a Reuter's representative on the German menace in the East, said that he would welcome Japanese intervention in order to prevent the Germanisation of Siberia. Germany was not so much after the food of Ukraine but was ambitious to carry out a gigantic scheme of world conquest. She had already taken the Baltic Provinces, almost to Petrograd, and besides taking the Aalsands she had somehow induced the Finns to enable her to control their foreign policy and had thereby acquired practically the whole of what were formerly the Russian shores of the Baltic. This had cut off Russia's access to the sea except by Archangel and the Murman coast. To the south, Germany is occupying Odessa and insisting on the retrocession to Turkey of the ports on the east of the Black Sea. Plainly, Germany designed to substitute for the Bagdad Railway a new route to the East via Caucasus and North-Western Persia. Both Great Britain and America were deeply interested in the fate of the Armenians, who had suffered nameless outrages, but by the German Treaty the Armenians would be handed back to the Turks. A small Military Mission sent with the object of entering the Caucasus via Baku had been stopped by the Bolsheviks. We had not heard from them for the last three weeks, owing to the destruction of the Tiflis telegraph.

Lord Robert said the talk of a German movement towards democracy was most untrustworthy. The military control of Germany had not been shaken. "The talk of the progress of internal Liberalism," said Lord Robert, "is so much democratic camouflage. I see no reason why the Germans should not try to penetrate Siberia. We have received unconfirmed information that a Prussian General has been sent to Siberia for the purpose of organising the German prisoners. We ought to seek available Japanese assistance to frustrate the German scheme of Eastern conquest." Lord Robert concluded by paying a glowing tribute to Japanese services rendered in the Pacific, the Mediterranean and elsewhere.

TEA SUPPLIES AT HOME.

London, March 8.

The Tea Brokers' Association states that although nearly all the 80,000,000 pounds of tea exported from Calcutta to England from November to January arrived safely, there is only about two months' supply in the United Kingdom.

THE PARIS AIR RAID.

London, March 10.

A French official message states:—Eleven were killed and 41 injured in the air raid on the Paris suburbs.

FRANCE'S WAR DETERMINATION.

London, March 9.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, in the Chamber, M. Clemenceau, replying to the Bolo interpellations tabled yesterday, made a stirring speech. He eloquently appealed for the maintenance of the splendid moral of the French soldiers. The people and troops were superbly confident that the enemy's efforts would break down. It would be criminal not to desire peace, but they could not silence Prussian militarism by bellowing for peace. He reiterated the intention to wage war notwithstanding that Russia has deserted them and Rumania had unfortunately been compelled to capitulate. He was convinced that France would experience that last glowing quarter of an hour of struggle which spelt victory. He earnestly impressed on the Socialist Deputies that their pre-war ideals of universal disarmament had been cruelly given the lie by facts and instanced the German action in reply to M. Loxin's and M. Troitzky's request for the conclusion of a democratic peace.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

AIR RAID ON PARIS.

London, March 9.

A French official message states that several enemy air squadrons have raided Paris. Details are lacking but it is believed the casualties are fewer than in the last raid.

Later.

A French official message states that between ten and twelve squadrons participated in the air raid on Paris, and were hotly received by the anti-aircraft guns and sixty aeroplanes. Nine inhabitants were killed and 39 wounded. A Gotha was brought down at Compiègne and the four men aboard her were incinerated.

GERMAN SCHEMES OF CONQUEST.

London, March 9.

Military and political writers are greatly drawing attention to the new German schemes of conquest as evidenced by the Germanisation of the Baltic and Baltic provinces, also the fresh designs in the Near East revealed in the peace treaty with Rumania. The latest news from the Aalsand Islands is that the Germans have disembarked, besides troops, a large number of horses. The German flag flies from the Customs House of Eckeroe.

The "Times," dwelling on the menace to Sweden, says that Germany, in possession of the Islands, could cut sea communication between the northern and southern provinces, besides being within a few hours steam of Stockholm. The "Times" recalls that the 25,000 inhabitants of the Islands long ago voted for union with Sweden. This is an interesting sidelight on the German idea of self-determination.

The "Manchester Guardian," referring to the Rumanian peace, says that while Germany aims inter-alia to get nearer to India, her immediate intention is to menace our right flank in Mesopotamia.

THE BOLO AFFAIR.

Paris, March 8.

The Chamber passed a vote of confidence in the Government by 400 to 76, after discussing the Government responsibilities in the Bolo affair.

(Continued on page 8.)

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph.")

OBITUARY.

London, March 8.

The death is announced of the Rev. William Merry, D.D., who has been Rector of Lincoln College since 1881. The deceased, who was in his 83rd year, had a brilliant University career, and among the many appointments he had held during his long career were Select Preacher, Whitehall Preacher, Member of the Habbemad Council, being Vice-Chancellor in 1904, public orator to the University of Oxford for 30 years, and a life member of the Council of Cheltenham College. He was the publisher of many classical translations, that of Homer's *Odyssey* being exceptionally popular.

THE SILVER MARKET.

London, March 7.

The silver market is steady. The price of silver is quoted at 42 1/2. There is more demand, and the market is steady.

CHINA AND THE WAR.

The Question of Active Participation.

Owing to startling developments in the European war, the original plan to dispatch Chinese troops to France has to be entirely modified. To prevent the threatened contingency of an incursion into Manchuria and other frontier territories by the released enemy prisoners in Russia, now reported to be gradually receiving arms, General Tuan Chi-jai will have to devote his energy first to the consolidation of the defences at several important places. At present, he proposes to pick out one full division of efficient troops from the forces in Manchuria for the purpose of strengthening the Chinese garrison at Manchuria; and to form another division of picked troops from amongst the forces in Singkiang, Ili and Altai, to be sent to defend the Chinese district of Udinsk. According to a high authority, there is a strong force of Cossacks guarding the Russian Udinsk, so the possibility of the enemy descending upon Chinese territory is very remote and therefore about such an event being imminent and recent happenings in Russia sound ridiculously boastful, probably spread on purpose by German propagandists. However, better be prepared than taken by surprise in case of an emergency.

The Bureau for War Participation was established on the 1st instant. General Tuan Chi-jai is the Director General. Under him, are General Chin Yan-peng, Chief of the Staff, Mr. Chang Chi-tan, Chief of Strategic Department, General Lo Kai-pang, Chief of the Military Department and Mr. Chen Lu, Chief of the Foreign Affairs Department. A request for the issue of \$50,000 to cover initial expenses has been sent to the Cabinet, the amount to be deducted from the estimated budget when made out. The Cabinet approved General Tuan's plan unanimously on February 28.

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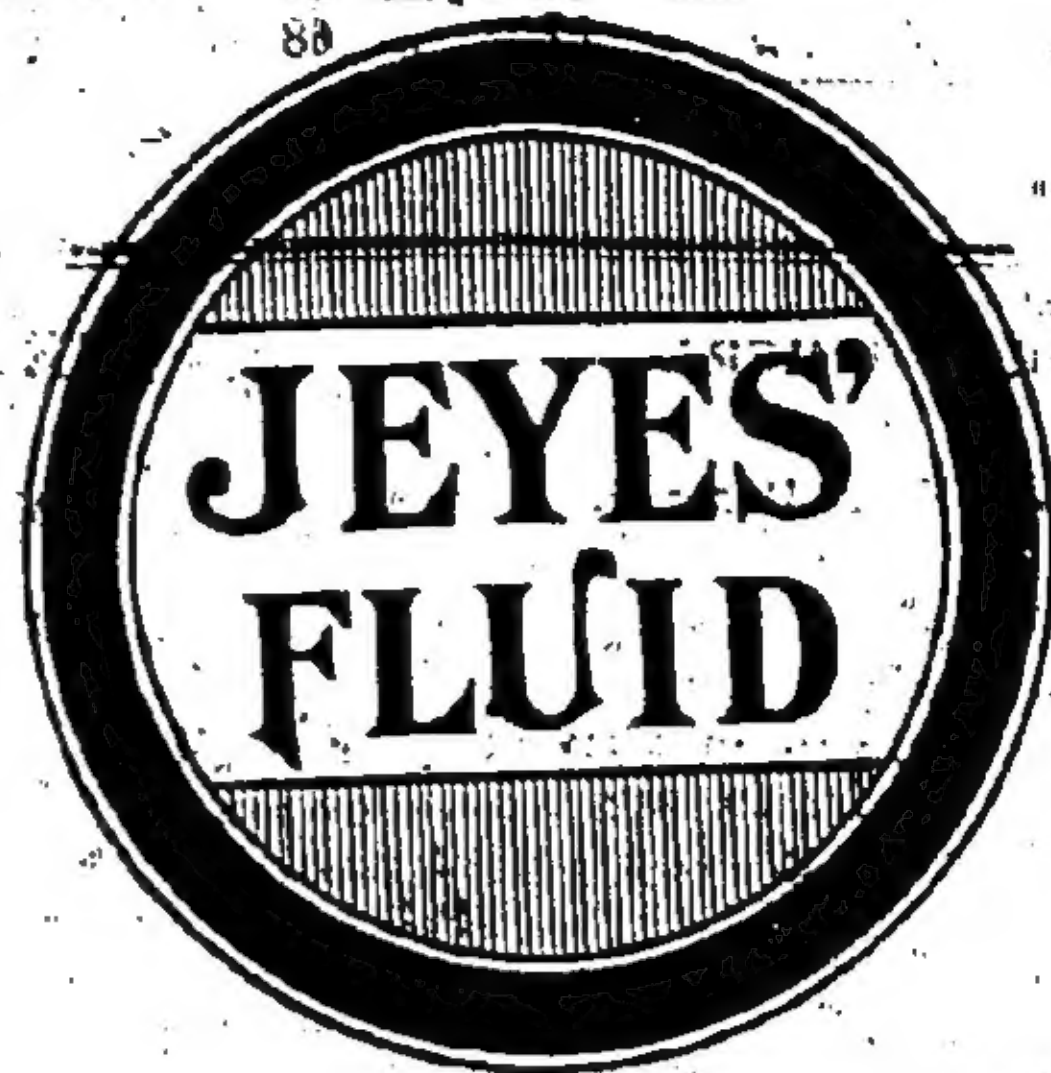
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GENERAL NEWS.

Sea Water for Bread.
 French chemists are advocating the use of sea water in the making of bread. This would not only save the transportation of salt, it is urged, but would add materially to the healthful properties of the bread, owing to the fact that sea water contains, besides salt, a valuable percentage of magnesium and calcium. Ocean water, already being used, it is said, in bread making at Cherbourg, and the bread has gained a considerable reputation as a diet in various complaints.

Tientsin Municipality.
 At the annual general meeting of the landowners of the British Concession, Tientsin, on Thursday, Mr. W. K. Ker, C.M.G., H.M. Consul-General presiding, the following resolution was carried by 28 votes to 12: "That in view of the letter addressed by H.M. Consul-General on February 5, 1918, to the Chairman of the British Municipal Council, this meeting do hereby appoint three representatives to assist His Britannic Majesty's representative in devising and drafting a scheme for the amalgamation of the British areas at Tientsin into a single Municipality."

Japanese Naval Aviators' Flight.
 The Japanese Naval Aviation Corps carried out a long distance flight between Oppama and Obama recently. Three seaplanes, manned by Lieut. Shirase, Sub-Lieut. Yamada and Sub-Lieut. Kato, started from Oppama, at 7.05 a.m. They safely arrived at Obama between 104 p.m. and 125 p.m., covering the distance in six hours. The aviation officers report that they were greatly delayed by a strong south-westerly wind on route. The air current was very unfavourable throughout the whole course. As it was very cold, they were compelled to fly at a height of between 200 and 250 metres. The neighbouring waters of Obama were watched by five destroyers. There were hundreds of thousands of spectators on land.

Honouring Memory of General Lee.

Petersburg, Va., January 19—The Blue and the Gray united to-day in celebrating the one hundred and eleventh anniversary of the birth of Gen. Robert E. Lee, members of the Virginia Senate and House of Delegates joining Pennsylvania soldiers of the Three Hundred and Nineteenth Infantry in the exercises at Camp Lee. The Senate, in accepting the invitation, commended the desire on the part of the Three Hundred and Nineteenth Infantry to "wipe out in time of national stress sectional feeling, and to show admiration for the great Southern soldier." Lieut. Barrett O'Hara, ex-Lieutenant-Governor of Illinois; ex-Governor William Hodges Mann, who fought under Lee at Petersburg, and Brig.-Gen. Lloyd M. Brett, who succeeded General Cronkrite in command at Camp Lee spoke.

Smuggling from Sunkan German Cruiser.

A Nagasaki message states that a man named Ishida Isamu, living in Tsingtau, on hearing that there was a sunken German cruiser about 17 miles off Tsingtau, made a plan to recover some of the metal work in conjunction with a man named Ogata Naozoku, also living in Tsingtau. They hired 38 divers and set out for the spot in a Japanese sailing ship called Miojin Maru. They succeeded in locating the wreck and in recovering about 8 tons of copper and brass, 300 mounds of platinum, 17 cases of silver bullion and 2 cases of German paper money. They secretly landed these articles at Mitsu, Kumanomoto Kan, on the 19th. They were, however, arrested while endeavouring to dispose of the articles at Sascho through a man named Shimada Shokichi. They are now being examined on a charge of smuggling. It is believed that they will not be punished for their action in recovering the articles from the wreck, as the sunken ship had been abandoned by the authorities. According to their statement, the sunken cruiser is in the Yellow Sea, 17 miles off Tsingtau. They say they found many human bones in the ship.

GENERAL NEWS.

Scarlet Fever at Dairen.
There is an epidemic of scarlet fever at Dairen, according to the *Manchuria Daily News*. Twenty cases occurred in the latter part of February and the disease is reported to have assumed great virulence.

Prohibitive Cost of Coal.
The Nagoya Chamber of Commerce has set about studying ways and means of regulating the price of coal which is steadily advancing, and seriously impeding the development of industries. It has already sent 17 manifestoes to various Chambers of Commerce and expects to present some concrete measure to the authorities. The Tokio Chamber of Commerce, which supports the movement initiated by the Nagoya institution, proposes to appoint a special Committee to study the problem.

Returning Iron Crosses.
London, January 15.—An appeal is being circulated among mutilated German officers and soldiers having the Iron Cross, asking them to return the crosses as a protest against the fact that a number of "home warriors" and leaders of the Fatherland Party are wearing the same insignia, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam. There had been a large response, thirteen hundred crosses from Berlin alone being sent to the War Minister this first day the appeal appeared.

A Warning to China.
The *N. O. D. Mail* strongly recommends the Chinese authorities to watch carefully all outgoing strangers from Tientsin as it has heard of several enemy subjects trying to book railway tickets to Petrograd. They ought to be most carefully watched as no doubt there are still plenty of faked passports to be obtained from Sommer's Passport Factory. These Germans, the *Mail* says, have the impertinence of Satan himself. A number of them speak Russian and try of course to pass themselves off as Russians.

Big Shanghai Claim.
A case involving over a million francs is at present pending in the French Consular Court at Shanghai. The plaintiffs are the French Tramways Company and they are seeking reimbursement from the French Municipal Council for losses alleged to have been suffered due to the council's refusal to grant a permit for increasing electric light and water rates in the concession. The complainants ask for three cents per kilowatt hour indemnity in the French concession, and reimbursement for losses sustained in the water supply. The losses are said to have been caused by the recent riots in the cost of coal.

Action by the Hongkong Bank.
The case of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation versus three German subjects—R. Landt, Mrs. Martha Batsch and Mr. Botsch—was concluded before the Shanghai Mixed Court recently. The claim is to enforce a judgment of the German Consular Court which had subsequently been upheld by the Court of Appeal at Leipzig. At a previous hearing before the Mixed Court an order was made that the plaintiffs should be empowered to sell German Consular Lot No. 185 registered in the name of R. Landt and that the bank should recoup themselves to the extent of their claim, Tfr. 40,000. The order asked for was granted.

Japanese Supplanting Germans.
London, February 23.—A correspondent of the *Pall Mall Gazette* says that he supposes that everybody has noticed the recent increase in number of Japanese in London and doubtless their presence has been duly reported to Berlin. It must provide a cause for hard thinking among those distinguished Teutons who are laying plans for the German trade after the war. Many of these Japanese are concerned, of course, with what used to be the German trade. The correspondent has already bought two or three articles bearing the words, "Made in Japan." They are better in every way and far more artistic than similar wares that used to be made in Germany.

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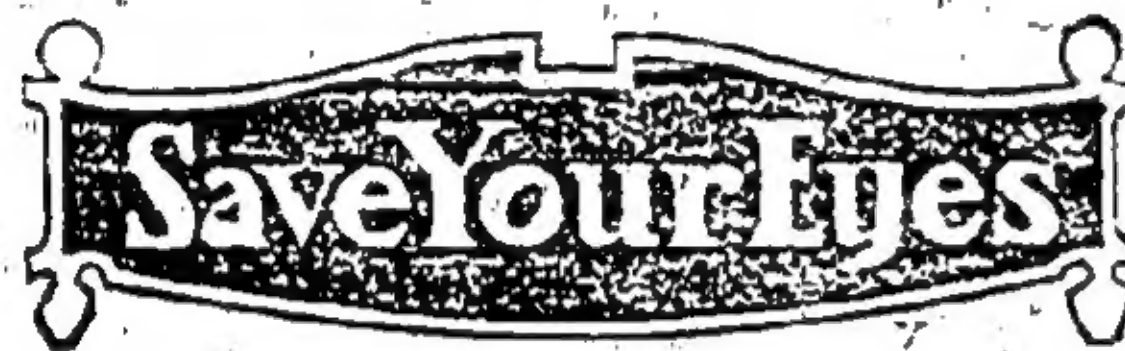


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Labour Unrest in Japan.
The labour unrest is becoming general all over Japan, according to the Kokusai News Agency. At Fukushima, 1,000 hands employed in the Spinning Mills have ceased work. They demand an increase in their wages of twenty per cent. The unrest shows signs of spreading in that part of Japan.
Popular Spring Resort Ruined.
It is reported from Nagasack, Gunma Ken, that a fire broke out in Shikazawa Hot Spring in Gunma Gun, Gunma Ken recently. Nearly all of the hotels and other houses were destroyed and the place was entirely ruined. The damage is expected to reach an enormous amount.

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H. B. L. DOWBIGGIN,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th March, 1918.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE THIRTY-SECOND YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong Club, will be held in the Club House, on MONDAY, the 18th March, 1918, at 5.30 P.M.

By Order,
E. DES VCEUX,
Hongkong, 2nd March, 1918.

HONGKONG DOG AND CAT SHOW 1918.

THE committee beg to notify intending exhibitors that the Show will be held sometime during March, on a date to be notified later.

It has been decided to include Poultry provided that sufficient entries are forthcoming.

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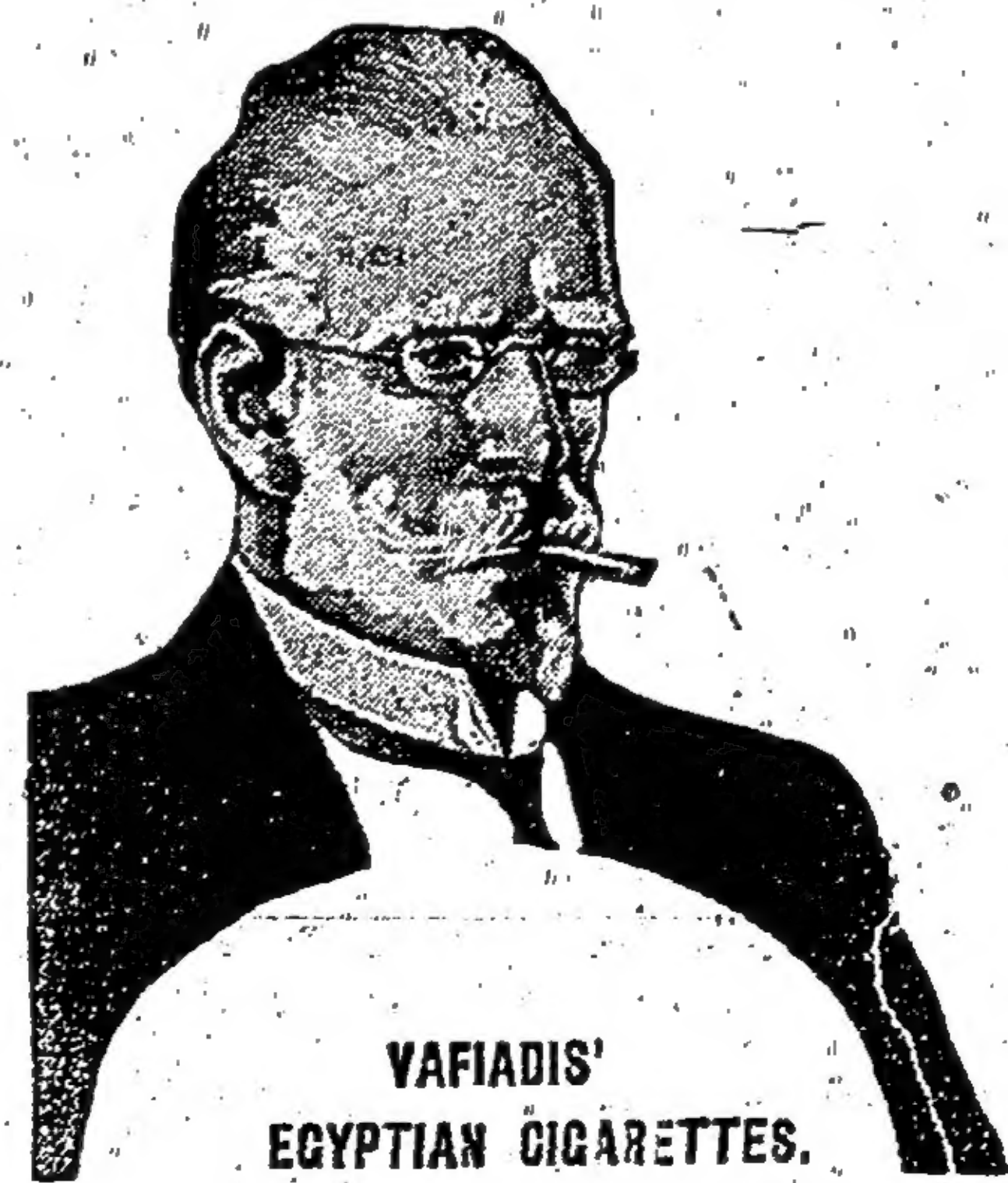
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Hongkong, 15th January, 1917.

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LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,

Accountants to the Hongkong Jockey Club.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1918.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Firm of A. R. Marty, Rene Salle Successor, has from the 12th February, 1918, sold to Messrs. P. A. Lapicque & Co., the s.s. "Hanoi" which insures the Postal Service between Hongkong and Haiphong, and also the right to use the name of A. R. Marty, Compagnie de Navigation Tonkinoise.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 14th March, 1918, until SATURDAY, the 23rd March, 1918, both days inclusive.

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By Order, "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 11, 1918.

HONGKONG HOUSE RENTS.

On many occasions of late we have dealt in this column with the question of the increasing shortage of residences for European occupation, and we have yet hopes that this problem, the solution of which is long overdue, will eventually be forced upon the Government for consideration and, if possible, action. There is, however, another side to this housing question which equally demands attention, and that is the upward tendency of rentals. European residents are faced not only with a scarcity of houses—especially of the smaller type—but even those that are available are let at what can only be described as extortionate rentals. No one who has resided in the Colony for any length of time can be blind to the fact that rents have in recent years gone up by leaps and bounds, until many Europeans find it absolutely impossible to take a house unless they share it with another family. This is a condition of affairs which ought not to be, yet there is practically no alternative left to the men of moderate means here. Hongkong rents are a byword through the Far East, and we do not wonder at the fact.

Old residents in Hongkong can recall the time when it was possible to get quite a good-sized house, often with no lack of garden space, at \$20 or \$30 a month; nowadays they count themselves fortunate if they can find accommodation at double these figures. With the growth of the Colony it is, of course, only natural that rents should rise, but there is small justification for the extent to which the advance has gone. In glancing over the Shanghai papers we have recently been struck with the very low rentals which are revealed in the "To Let" advertisements, as compared with the general standard obtaining in Hongkong. We will cite one or two instances. For example, we see advertised a four-roomed residence, with two bathrooms and servants' quarters, which is offered at \$12, 40 per month; another six-roomed residence in the best part of the French Concession (trams passing the door) for \$15, 75; another furnished house of six rooms, with garage, stabling, large tennis lawn and vegetable garden, half a minute from the trams, at \$15, 130, including taxes, water and telephone; yet another semi-detached four-roomed house, mosquito-proofed throughout, bathroom with modern sanitary conveniences, for \$15, 90, including telephone and garage; and, to quote one more, a seven-roomed detached residence, in good locality, with garage, stabling and tennis, at \$15, 125. These are figures which may well make the Hongkong householder rub his eyes with amazed surprise. Certainly they are far below the average which prevails here. We are aware, of course, that there is practically unlimited scope for building purposes in the Northern Settlement, whereas here, on the Hongkong side at any rate, that is not the case. However, even at Kowloon, where there is still plenty of unoccupied land, the progressive rise in rentals has kept pace with the upward movement on this side of the harbour.

Coincident with the upward tendency of rents, the cost of living in Hongkong has also decidedly risen during recent years, and as salaries have not increased in line therewith, the lot of the European of ordinary means here has become distinctly worse. Indeed, the man with a family finds it hard to meet expenses, let alone saving with a view to comfortably eating down at home, which for many is a dream that will never be realized unless conditions materially alter for the better. At the moment the housing difficulty is the biggest problem to be faced, and as the Government is now providing quarters for most of its servants, whose salaries, be it remembered, are derived from the public, it is surely reasonable to expect that it should investigate this matter with a view to effecting much-needed relief for those on whom the growing cost of living bears so heavily. The present hardships are undoubtedly. Cannot something be done to bring about a general change for the better?

Rather Presumptuous.

A somewhat interesting situation has arisen in South China in regard to the salt revenue of Kwangtung and Kwangsi. According to advice received from the "Intelligence Bureau" at Canton, the "Military Government" there has formally taken over the Salt Administration of the two Provinces, ordering the public to pay taxes through the Bank of China, as usual. It is added that the Military Government will fulfil all international obligations secured on the salt revenue, the organs of administration to remain the same. This step has been taken, we are told, because the Peking Government recently decided to hand over the surplus revenue from this source to Lung Chai kwang. Whether that is the case or not, we do not profess to know, but we imagine that others will have something to say at the resolve of the San Yatsen clique to appropriate these funds. This is a matter in which foreign Powers are vitally concerned, and what the Canton upstarts appear to overlook is that the only authority that has a right to handle these monies is the Central Government. The so-called Military Government at Canton is not recognised by the Powers, nor do we suppose that it is likely to be. It therefore has no shadow of right to intercept revenue which ought to flow into the Peking coffers. Surely the Southern revolutionaries are taking themselves a trifle too seriously.

Food Prices.

It would appear, from a Proclamation in the Gazette, that the right of fixing maximum food prices in Hongkong is still preserved, for it is announced that a slight increase in the charge for mutton is authorised. Some few days ago we drew attention to the "irregular raising of the price for the commodity, which is now partially conceded. Many compradores, however, have been charging a rate above that now permitted. It therefore behooves householders to keep an eye on their "books" and not to hesitate to prosecute where the legal prices are exceeded. We are wondering, however, when beef is to resume its normal price, for when it was raised at the time of the anthrax outbreak the public was led to believe that the increase was only temporary. Incidentally, we do not know on what ground this authorisation of higher prices for mutton is based. It would seem to the on-looker that all the compradores have to do is to put up the prices and that the authorities soon toe the line by conceding part of their demands.

Personal Side of War.

It is with no little pleasure that we notice that Sir Douglas Haig, in his official communications, has recommended the practice, which was current a short time ago, of naming the various regiments engaged in operations. The stilted language of the majority of war news which is passed out for the public edification is about as uninspiring as it could possibly be made, and it is not altogether the fault of the public at home if they have become war weary, when there is nothing but a monotonous repetition of a few phrases that might mean anything from a paltry incident to a really heroic piece of work by a small obscure company. The complaint of Sir Ian Hamilton that the Gallipoli campaign was turned to failure largely through the wording of his despatches seems to have borne fruit, and there is a tremendous amount of truth in his contention that if the war were made more personal its prosecution would automatically become more enthusiastic. When soldiers, who have faced the campaign's hardships, see the bare announcement that a raid was made in the neighbourhood of so-and-so, there is generated none of that justifiable pride that would follow the announcement that their regiment had carried out a certain piece of valuable work. The whole thing is psychological, and seeing that it has become almost a matter of which set of forces will retain the determination to war the longest, there is a value of the utmost importance investing the struggle, with a personal pride instead of allowing it to continue the uninteresting thing that officialdom has made it.

DAY BY DAY.

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The Dollar.

The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 3s. 6d.

Mr. Wolfe as Magistrate.

Owing to the indisposition of Mr. Dyer Ball, Mr. E. D. O. Wolfe presided in the small Court at the Magistracy this morning.

Theft from European.

A Chinese boy, aged 15 years, was charged before Mr. E. D. O. Wolfe at the Magistracy this morning, with the theft of \$10 from Mrs. Cooper, of 8, Lochiel Terrace, Kowloon. After evidence had been given, the defendant was ordered to receive six strokes with the birch.

Quarantine Restrictions.

The following telegram dated the 9th March, 1918, has been received from His Britannic Majesty's Consul at Chefoo:—"Quarantine imposed on arrivals from Hongkong on account of outbreak of cerebro-spinal meningitis at that port. Came into force 4th March."

Wedding.

The marriage has taken place at St. John's Cathedral, of Miss Captain F. O. Fisher, Royal Navy, and Ella, only daughter of the late Admiral R. W. Craigie, and of Lady Tador, wife of H. E. Vice-admiral F. V. T. Tador, K.C.M.G., O.B., Naval Commander-in-Chief, China Station.

Naval Sports.

At the Navy and Dockyard Sports Meeting being held on the 8th April next, in the Naval Dockyard, a one mile flat race will be open to H. M. Forces and a 100 yards flat race open to the Colony. Entries should be sent to Mr. H. G. Lister, Hon. Secretary, by 21st inst. There are no entrance fees.

Billiards.

In the Billiards Championship, Pokie Po Wong and E. Guimaraes met at the V.B.C. on Saturday night, the result being a win for the latter by 400 to 314. The match between Gannet Lord and A. G. Pile, to-night, will commence at 7.30 p.m. and not at 9 p.m. All ladies are admitted to the matches free.

Double Murder Charged.

The Chinese who has been committed to the next Criminal Sessions on a charge of murdering the late Inspector O'Sullivan and Sergeant Clarke in the Gresson Street affair, was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, with the murder of a Chinese at Yamat. The case was remanded until Monday next.

12,000 Lottery Tickets.

As he was coming off a Canton steamer, a Chinese was arrested with no less than 12,000 lottery tickets in his possession. When charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, it was stated that the man had a previous conviction for a similar offence and was brought to be an agent. A fine of \$500, or three months' hard labour, was imposed.

Yokohama Specie Bank.

The local office of the Yokohama Specie Bank is in receipt of a telegram from the Head Office to the effect that at the half-yearly meeting of shareholders, held at the head office of this bank at Yokohama on the 7th instant, it was resolved to pay a dividend of 12 per cent. p.a. for the half-year ended the 31st December 1917, to add to the Reserve Fund Yen 1,000,000 and to carry forward the sum of Yen 2,720,000 to the next account.

A Youthful Thief.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, a Chinese lad was charged with the theft of \$50. It appeared that the defendant was employed with complainant in a house and that when the defendant left the money was missed from complainant's box. Part of the money was recovered from defendant, and also a gold wrist watch which he admitted buying with the stolen money. He was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

BRITISH FLYERS; III.

Another Interesting Article.

"One crowded hour of glorious life," said Scott, "is worth an age without a name." The quotation could be stated more exactly, if not so poetically, by adding the three obviously implied words to the left hand side of it. "One hour of glorious life with a name is equal to an age without a name," is what Scott meant. Well, I can tell you of "one crowded hour" of a gentleman in the Royal Flying Corps, but I am afraid it won't be "with a name." The Flying Corps prefers to live its glorious life anonymously. However, it won't offend him if we call him X; X of the R.F.C.—it follows that X is equal to anything.

Lieut. X was patrolling a certain area with his formation when they saw about 20 enemy scouts due east of them. At a height of 12,000 feet a formation of 6 machines turned towards them, dropping to 11,000 feet as it came. X dived to attack and in the words of his official report, "general melee ensued." While engaging one machine, he saw two more enemy formations approaching, so he shot up, and as their leader dived to attack he nipped round behind him and opened fire at very close range. The hostile machine turned over and went down steeply—"apparently under control," says X with reserve. One suspects that a German would have said "obviously out of control," and the German Headquarters, making a good job of it, would have added five more British aeroplanes to its monthly list of imaginary slain. However X prefers to under-estimate; "apparently under control," he says. No doubt he would have made quite certain of it, but at this moment his guns jammed. He withdrew for a moment to clear them.

When he was ready again, he looked up and found to his surprise that the "general melee" had broken off and his own formation had disappeared. He was alone! "Continued patrol at 11,000," he says casually. However he was not to be lonely for long, for suddenly six hostile scouts appeared. "Finding myself above the six hostile scouts," says X, "I started to drive and zoom." This would probably have frightened you and me a good deal, but it is quite an ordinary business in the air. "Zooming," one gathers, is just the opposite to "diving," a combination of the two would seem to correspond to the in and out of a boxer looking for an opening. "On my first drive," says X, "I attacked the leader (a red and yellow machine) but he turned underneath me and I zoomed up again. On my second drive I attacked a black and light blue machine." It must have been a pretty sight in the sun.

Back-and-light-blue "put its nose down" and fled, X assisting from behind with both guns at 50 yards. Down went black-and-light-blue in a straight nose dive to its doom. "Meanwhile I had lost height so, that the other five hostile scouts were above me, and started attacking. Went down very steeply, hoping to get away from them and succeeded in gaining a little. "An awkward moment, but it had its compensation." For at 4,000 feet he "saw the black-and-light-blue scout crash in a fair sized field near a hedge." Whatever happened to him now, he had accounted for an equal number of the enemy.

And the outlook was poor. The only path of escape took him right across red-and-yellow, he risked it and red-and-yellow let him have it at close range. "He hit my patrol tank and my engine stopped and I went down closely pursued by the red-and-yellow machine and another." Then follows a very human touch. "I remember deciding not to land in the field where the black-and-light-blue machine had crashed." Very quick and uncontrollable must his thoughts have been in that rush down to earth; one wonders just what made him decide. So. A superstitious feeling? A sudden wish not to see what he had done to black-and-light-blue? or just the practical

CORRESPONDENCE.

(The opinions expressed by correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

DANGEROUS ROADS.

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Sir,—Allow me to encroach on your columns for a space. I wish to draw the attention of the authorities to the condition of the Deep Water Bay road, while under repair. The top of the hill leading into Aberdeen from Victoria is being re-surfaced. Stonebreakers are arranged along the side of the road facing outwards, carry on their good work daily, with the result that the whole surface of the road is covered with small sharp flints with razor edges, forming a veritable death-trap to vehicles with pneumatic tyres and coolies carrying loads, with bare feet. This condition is not confined to working time only, as when work ceases at 5 p.m., the road is left in the aforementioned glorious condition. One coolie with a brom would remedy this.

Proceeding on through Aberdeen, with luck you will reach the hill leading down into Deep Water Bay. The surface of this is being, or has been, tarred. After the tar has been spread, a liberal sprinkling of sand is placed on the surface. This is quite legitimate, although liable to cause accidents, as if the brakes are applied in an emergency on this surface, the only resistance to motion offered, is rolling friction; as the particles of sand under the tyre act as small rollers between tyre surface and road surface. This is not all. The sand used for the purpose, instead of being stacked in piles at the side of the road during night time, is left lying all over the road in heaps of different sizes. An early outcome of this procedure will be a bad accident, with perhaps loss of life. Afterwards an enquiry will be held and it will be decided not to do it again.

Yours truly,

A STITCH IN TIME SAVES NINE.
Hongkong, March 9, 1918.

CINEMA DANGERS.

Sir,—The recent disaster at Happy Valley has aroused ordinary minds to the dangers of fire in crowded enclosures, but it appears that something more disastrous must occur before the super-minds of our local authorities are awakened to such risks.

It is common knowledge to those who frequent cinematograph theatres that these buildings are often over-crowded, particularly in the portions most patronised by Europeans. Tickets are sold without any apparent regard to the seating capacities of the houses, and many patrons are accommodated on chairs placed in the passage ways, making exit a matter of difficulty under ordinary circumstances and of impossibility in case of a rush.

If you will be good enough to give publicity to this danger, perhaps the official whom we pay to supervise such matters will condescend to take notice.

Yours etc,

GROUBER.
Hongkong, March 11, 1918.

knowledge that the wreck below gave him less room for landing?—Anyhow down he went—for the next field.

And then all at once another, a more wonderful thought came to him; "I thought about turning on to my emergency tank"; How he must have cursed himself for forgetting, how his heart must have leapt at remembering! It was just in time. "At about 100 feet my engine picked up." And then very casually and hurriedly, or if rather ashamed about that blessed emergency tank, he ends up. "After that I put my nose down and flew west and succeeded in getting back between Messines and Ypres."

A crowded hour indeed—but not the only hour by any means. For each day in the Flying Corps offers just such an hour to those who look for it.—A.A.H.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

A story illustrative of the changes in methods of warfare comes from a soldier in France who took a German officer prisoner. The soldier said to the officer: "Give up your sword!" But the officer shook his head and answered: "I have no sword to give up. But won't my vitriol spray, my oil-projector, or my gas-cylinder do as well?"

The announcement that all Quaker teachers are to be driven from the school system of Greater New York takes us right back to the middle of the seventeenth century, says the New York Evening Post. But why stop with turning these women out? When William Penn was expelled from Oxford, "benighted," he was both whipped and beaten. Surely, we shall not show weakness in these strenuous times. Then we must not forget how many thousands of these wicked people teach in the schools of Pennsylvania. Perhaps, if we set a fine example here, they will be expelled in Penn's State as well. Our libraries ought to be brought into line also. Let us banish from them Penn's own work, "The Great Case of Liberty of Conscience," which is a most vicious plea for complete toleration.

It is exciting to know that Hampton Court reveals new links with Shakespeare. But, beyond eight of the places where he dressed and played—and drank, there is nothing bringing us nearer to the man himself. For that the public archives must be investigated. Sir Sidney Lee has pointed out that there is golden grain for the gleaming. But the work needs a staff of experts and an expenditure of £3,000 or £4,000 a year. With what avidity the men and the money would be provided if the search lay in some grass-grown ruin on the other side of the world!

The Vice-Provost of Eton led the thoughts of a few people at Slough away from the war by repeating a number of schoolboy "howlers" which had come under his own observation. Several newspaper correspondents gratefully seized the opportunity to turn from tragedy to comedy and the several lists of "howlers" show that the schoolroom is as fruitful a source of merriment as ever. Thus one boy, asked what he knew about a head, wrote: "A head is a very old man known as a venerable head, sometimes called Adam Bede." He certainly had some knowledge of George Eliot's masterpiece. Another boy, questioned about the Homeric poems, wrote: "Homer was not written by Homer, but by another man of the same name." The working of the young mind is clearly seen in the answer of a lad to the query as to what he knew about Marseilles: "It is the place where pianos stop." What the instructor had really informed his pupils about Marseilles is too obvious to need explanation. But the palm goes to the Eton boy who, writing of the poet Milton, said: "Milton was a great poet who wrote 'Paradise Lost'; then his wife died and he wrote 'Paradise Regained'."

The following is from the Westminster Gazette, under the title "The Kaiser Speaks":—"I and our good old God—we two should be sufficient gods for you. Though images are wrong, you should

Bow down to Hindenburg of wood. Swear not—except to swear, to hate. Perfidious Albion a tottering state. The seventh day was made for war. Just as the other six days are. Parents were made our force to feel.

You know our methods—vide Little. Surely 'tis very good to kill; To kill the English better still. And you will find adultery Will terrify your enemy. To steal has been our privilege In this and every other age. Lying is useful—more or less—And so we bribe the neutral press. Coveting things is merely silly. Since we can take them—I and Willy.

LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL.
U.S. LEAGUE.

R.E. v H.K.D.C.

Played on the Club ground on Saturday, the teams lining up as follows:

R.E.—Clarke, Blamfield, Lucas, Clatter, Smith, White, Strang, Townsend, Osborn, Horton, Pascall.
H.K.D.C.—G. Rodger, Oave, McObben, Irvine, Stewart, Balfour, Stalker, Pasco, McTavish, Grimmett, J. Rodger.

As anticipated, a fine struggle ensued between these teams, the defence of either getting the better of the attack. The first half was very even, and some fine football was witnessed in the mid-field play. Half time arrived with no score.

In the second half, the Sappers opened in very determined fashion, Osborne sending the ball over the bar with a free drive. McTavish tried to worm his way through the R.E. Defence but was neatly robbed by White, but soon after the same player tested Clarke. A change in position by the Club found Stalker at right back. Towards the finish the H.K.D.C. Defence was sorely pressed, and Strang had hard lines on two or three occasions, one shot striking the cross bar well out of the reach of Rodger. Result:—No score.

Navy v. Middlesex.

Played on the Navy ground. The teams were:

Navy.—Ocker, Cosker, Biggs, Hollamby, Smith, Cape, Clarke, Llewellyn, Laxton, Travis, Newcombe.

Middlesex.—Regt.—Turner, Fisher, Fawthrop, Allen, Bailey, Turner, Soroxton, Bravington, Sayer, Jarvis, Cock.

The soldiers sprung a surprise on the Navy in this match, defeating them by 1 goal to nil. Play was fast and interesting throughout, the soldiers' defence being very solid. The Navy had the better of the exchanges, but their forwards were not allowed much scope, the Middlesex defence being very sharp to tackle. Soroxton scored the only goal of the match from a nice pass by Bravington. The Navy forwards tried hard to draw level, but could not do so. This is the second victory the Middlesex have had this season.

DIVISION 2.

St. Joseph's College v. Kowloon.

Played on the Club ground. The teams were:

Kowloon.—Jennings, White, Hamilton, Van Langenberg, Jorner, Logan, Taylor, Rasmussen, Knight, Heale, Clemo.

St. Joseph's.—U.M. Omar, Jackson, E. P. Hyndman, Silve, Marcel, B. Hyndman, R. Omar, Bardon, E. R. Hyndman, Ogley, Hyder.

Play opened in favour of Kowloon, who kept their opponents' defence very busy during the first quarter of an hour, and from a nice centre by Clemo, Knight scored with a lovely shot which Omar failed to hold. Just before half-time, Taylor again broke through and scored, but the point was disallowed. Half time:—Kowloon, 1; St. Joseph's, 0.

The aspect of the match somewhat changed during the second half, St. Joseph's having much more of the game. Several fine chances came their way, but the shooting was very weak. At the other end, Knight had hard lines with a good shot just wide of the post. St. Joseph's attacked heavily, and from close in, Hyndman sent the ball into the net. A good struggle ensued for the winning goal, but neither side could again score.

Result:—A draw of 1 all.

3rd Co. R.G.A. v. Middlesex Reserves.

Played on the Navy ground, and, after a close game, the Gunners ran out winners by 3 goals to 2. Play throughout was very even and at half time nothing had been scored. The second half saw the Gunners force the pace and, after a keenly fought game, ran out winners as stated.

CRICKET.

Chinese Recreation Club v. University.

In this League match, played at Causeway Bay, the University scored an easy victory. The home side were all disposed of for 116,

which the University passed with only three wickets down, the innings closing for 236 for eight wickets. Scores:—

C. R. C.	
O. Choe, c Wright, b Brayshaw	29
G. Lee, b Marley	12
Uo Hwa Fan, b Brayshaw	11
Yew Man Tsun, b Brayshaw	4
Ng Sze Kwong, c and b Marley	8
Wai Lee San, c Redmond, b Brayshaw	1
J. Wong, c Siny, b Marley	3
Wong Po Keung, run out	6
A. J. Kew, c Marley, b Brayshaw	15
E. Lyen, c Fane, b Redmond	1
Extras	5
Total	116

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Brayshaw	17	3	26	5
Marley	15	2	55	3
Redmond	11	0	10	1

University.	
R. Ponsbury Fane, c Wong Po Keung, b Ng Sze Kwong	10
A. H. Barjaba, b Ng Sze Kwong	56
F. A. Redmond, c and b Ng Sze Kwong	4
J. D. Wright, c Wei Lee San, b Ng Sze Kwong	58
G. E. Marley, c Yew, b Ng Sze Kwong	28
K. Brayshaw, c Kew, b Choe	47
D. K. Samy, b Choe	15
G. Hall, c Lyen, b Choe	4
Lim Keng Sim, not out	15
W. Gittens, not out	1
J. M. Jack, c Fane, not out	0
Extras	4
Total (for 8 wickets)	236

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Uo Hwa Fan	15	1	68	0
Yew Man Tsun	14	0	66	0
Ng Sze Kwong	14	1	67	5
O. Choe	3	0	15	3
G. Lee	3	0	18	0

Middlesex v. Craigengower.

Craigengower won this League encounter on the Military ground. The soldiers were all disposed of for 68. Grimmett taking seven wickets for 28, and the visitors opened very weakly, Sze and Marley, the last men in, pulling the match out of the fire. Taylor, for the Middlesex, captured six wickets for 44 runs. Scores:—

Middlesex.	
L. Corp. Tabbatt, c Ford, b Grimmett	5
L. Corp. Elsbury, b Grimmett	6
L. Corp. Laurence, b Grimmett	10
Pte. Parnell, b Graham	18
L. Opl. Thompson, b Graham	0
Capt. Smith, b Grimmett	2
Lieut. Dickinson, run out	7
Pte. Smith, c Marley, b Grimmett	3
L. Corp. Swarzewski, c Kharsa, b Grimmett	4
Pte. Woodward, b Grimmett	4
Pte. Taylor, not out	0
Extras	9
Total	68

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Grimmett	11	3	28	7
Abbas	2	0	3	0
Graham	9	1	26	2

Craigengower.

T. F. Ford, c Woodward, b Parnell	7
A. Arculli, b Taylor	0
M. H. Abbas, b Taylor	0
A. W. Grimmett, c Thompson, b Taylor	7
E. S. Thompson, b Taylor	2
B. Bess, c Parnell, b Taylor	16
J. S. Graham, c Capt. Smith, b Taylor	6
D. K. Kharsa, b Parnell	3
G. Menzies, not out	24
C. Sara, c and b Tabbatt	24
J. D. Norris, b Tabbatt	14
Extras	5
Total	108

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Taylor	11	0	44	6
Parnell	9	2	29	2
Elsbury	34	0	14	0
Tabbutt	3	0	16	2

Hodge's XI v. Cobb's XI.

Team captained by P.H. Cobb and L.E.S. Hodge played a most enjoyable friendly game at Kowloon, the former winning by 33 runs. There was some good batting seen, Hodge being top scorer for his side with 57 while for the other team Robinson (73) and Lieut. Murray (51) did well. Capt. Gray had the good bowling average of six for 53, while Donnelly took four for 69. Scores:—

Hodge's XI.	
A. de Souza, c Murray, b Cobb	21
B. Pestonji, c Edwards, b Gray	11
F. J. de Rome, b Gray	11

EVIL PRACTICES IN MANCHURIA.

Decision of the Japanese Government.

The Seoul Press hears with satisfaction of the determination of the Government of Japan to put an end to two disgraceful practices followed by bad Japanese in Manchuria and Siberia, namely the smuggling of morphine and the shameful occupation of Japanese women of easy virtue. With regard to the former the Government-General of Kwangtung Leased Territory issued last month a decree requiring pharmacists in its jurisdiction to observe very strict rules in the manufacture or import of morphine and cocaine, and prohibiting other than licensed chemists from importing these drugs. This decree has since been very strictly enforced, and, according to a Dairen paper, all smuggling of these drugs through Dairen has now been stopped. With regard to Japanese women of ill-fame engaged in their shameful profession in North Manchuria and Siberia, a Harbin despatch says that the Japanese Consul at Harbin has issued a proclamation ordering them to abandon their occupation by the end of this year at the latest. This proclamation was issued in accordance with an instruction from the Foreign Office in Tokyo, which is determined to uproot this great blot on the fair name of Japan once for all.

Whatever shortcomings the present Government under Count Terauchi may have, nobody can doubt for a moment the Premier is a man of sincerity and the Government under him has been endeavouring to make Japan morally stronger. The Premier's record in Seoul shows that he is a statesman with a high sense of morality, and a man who thinks that a nation that is not morally strong is not a nation worthy of respect, even though it may be wealthy and prosperous. Upon his regime, the moral standard of Seoul was purified to a great extent, and to-day no licentious living such as flourished prior to his coming is to be seen in this city. We hope that the laudable determination of the Terauchi Government to put an end to the two evils referred to will be vigorously pursued until its object is completely attained.

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The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—Lam Heung Lun, \$25; M. S. Sassoon, \$10.

F. E. Joseland, b Gray	9
E. E. Lindell, b Gray	6
P. R. W. F. b Gray	0
L. E. S. Hodge, b Cobb	57
J. H. M. Mead, b Cobb	29
L. D. McNicol, b Gray	5
D. E. Donnelly, c Edwards, b Overy	13
Lt. D. R. Wahl, not out	8
Extras	6
Total	169

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cobb	16	2	80	3
Capt. Gray	15	3	53	6
Overy	6	1	24	1

Cobb's XI.

Capt. E. H. Gray, b Donnelly	12
W. T. Elson, c Wahl, b de Rome	4
L. J. Backbarn, c Wahl, b Donnelly	0
Lt. E. H. Murray, c Wolff, b Pestonji	51
C. J. Stapleton, run out	28
J. P. Robinson, c Mead, b Lindell	73
F. W. Evans, c de Rome, b Pestonji	6
H. E. Hollands, b Pestonji	11
P. H. Cobb, b Donnelly	2
H. Overy, c McNicol, b Donnelly	1
E. J. Edwards, not out	5
Extras	9
Total	202

Bowling.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Donnelly	18	1	69	4
de Rome	9	0	62	1
Pestonji	8	0	45	2
McNicol	2	0	12	0
Hodge	1	0	3	0
Lindell	0	3	0	2

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At the Magistracy this morning, Albert Edwards, aged 37, the accountant of the Government Civil Hospital, was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, by the Principal Civil Medical Officer, with embezzling, on March 6, \$500, received by him in his Government employ.

Inspector Grant stated that the case had been submitted to the Crown Solicitor for his consideration.

His Worship remanded the case for a week.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From KOBE & MOJI.

THE Steamship "THORDIS" having arrived, from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 18th instant at 5 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on Monday next at 10 A.M.

Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading for cargo from Bombay will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

Agents. Hongkong, 11th March, 1918.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship "BESSIE DOLLAR."

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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godown, where they will be examined on March 16th at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a month of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after March 7th/18 will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

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TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

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SHIPPING NEWS.

For War Use.

Since the United States entered the war, the Navy has taken over and converted to war use between 700 and 800 passenger and freight vessels, yachts, tugs, fishing boats and other craft.

Japanese Steamer Sold.

The Kusakabe Kabushiki Kaisha has sold the Nichiyo Maru, 5,628 tons, built in 1900, to Messrs. Kuhara & Co., for ¥3,750,000 with delivery in March or April.

American Railway Congestion.

It is reported that the steamship companies trading to the Pacific coast will suspend the acceptance of goods for shipment east of Chicago in view of the railway congestion in that region.

Sold to France.

The Unkai Maru No. 11, 8,872 tons, of the Uchida Kisen Kaisha, Kobe, which was chartered by the Toyo Kisen Kaisha and arrived at Yokohama from San Francisco on February 5, has been sold to France for ¥4,500,000.

Lightships at Taku.

The lightship at Taku was reinstated on the 19th ult. says the "Manchuria Daily News." The entrance buoy, bar lightship, and spit lightship were reinstated on the 22nd. Subsequently, the fair way buoy at the entrance of the Haiho has been removed.

Japan and South Sea Islands.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha has been chosen to maintain a steamship service between Yokohama and the South Sea Islands captured by Japan early in the war and has decided to charter the Bohemia, now loading here, to cover the South Seas route, while the Yamagata Maru and the Akita Maru will engage in the Australian service as heretofore, calling at Manila en route.

Germany Imperial Navy Department.

A Berlin telegram says: "An Imperial decree has been issued prescribing, for the duration of the war, the formation of a new section in the Imperial Navy Department, to be called the 'Submarine Department.' This department will deal solely with submarine affairs in so far as they have hitherto been dealt with in the dockyard section. Submarine inspection will be placed in charge of the Submarine Department as regards all questions appertaining to the Imperial Navy Department."

Shipment of Bean Cake.

In spite of the customary shipping dullness at home during the winter months, signs of animation are noticeable on the ocean-going service, on which dearth of hold space is being acutely felt, says the "Manchuria Daily News." The adjacent-sea service has remained inactive since the end of last January, but the depression seems to have been enlivened more or less by the brisk shipment of bean cake from Dairen to Japanese ports. Quite the reverse, however, the case with the charter market. The charterage at home has been on wild flight since the last year-end and a rise of about 20 per cent. all-round has been experienced during the past two months.

United States Shipping Board.

In order that there may be complete and immediate co-operation, the Director of Operations of the United States Shipping Board will have a representative in London, one in Paris and one in Rome. This will insure the maximum use and efficiency of American and Allied shipping. So that every ship will be loaded promptly and moved without delay or confusion, the Director of Operations will have in New York a Controller of Shipping, who will be on the ground to co-operate with the War Port Board and the War Department, giving quick decisions, and seeing to it that no ship remains idle unless in case of necessity. These plans call for the creation of a separate transportation branch, where all matters concerning the movement of ships will be handled, a marine branch where crews, repairs to ships, supplies, etc., will be provided, a chartering branch, a rate-making branch and a claim department.

Japanese Women Train Conductors?

There is a great scarcity of men to drive and act as conductors of the electric cars in Japan. Ever month, according to the Jiji, about 100 men abandon their employment, and only about 20 new applications are received. It is the difficulty of getting labour of this class that is seriously proposed to employ women for the work, per-

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned at 11 A.M. on WEDNESDAY the 27th instant.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 27th instant, both days inclusive.

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THE THIRTY SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the General Manager at NOON on WEDNESDAY the 27th instant to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to 31st December, 1917, and the report of the General Managers.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to 27th instant both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 7th March, 1918.

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THE FORTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on WEDNESDAY the 27th instant at 11.0 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1917.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to 17th March, both days inclusive.

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YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

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WAR LOAN SUBSCRIPTIONS.

London, March 9.
The War Loan subscriptions in London from Monday to Thursday, inclusive, totalled £48,000,000.

SUPPLIES FOR CENTRAL POWERS.

Copenhagen, March 8.
The Hamburger Fremdenblatt states that Germany has secured the use of the Roumanian oil industries, also large quantities of grain and fodder.

Amsterdam, March 8.
The Vienna Fremdenblatt states that Ukraine is endeavouring to deliver to the Central Powers by April 15th 30,000 wagons of grain, 1,200 wagons of sugar, 2,000 wagons of frozen meat, and 1,000 wagons of dried fruit.

THE LATE MR. JOHN REDMOND.

London, March 8.
A requiem mass in Westminster Cathedral, in memory of the late Mr. John Redmond, was celebrated in the presence of a large and distinguished congregation, including representatives of His Majesty the King, the Queen Mother and members of the Royal family. There were also present the Premier, members of the War Cabinet, including General Smuts, Ministers, the Speaker, all the leading politicians, and members of the peerage with their wives. The service was most impressive. The coffin was covered with the Irish flag, while the Union Jack and Papal flags were at half mast at the principal entrance. Cardinal Bourne delivered the address. The interment will take place in Ireland.

GERMAN 'INTRIGUE' IN SPAIN.

London, March 8.
The Times' correspondent at Madrid states that the Sol publishes a letter and two fly-leaves proving the German Embassy's attempts to foment a revolutionary movement through the Barcelona Syndicalists. The letter is from Von Stohrer, the Secretary to the Embassy, to the anarchist Niquel Pascual, and is dated November 10, 1916. It refers to a conversation between Von Stohrer and Pascual in the Embassy and says the Ambassador is willing to refund the cost of printing Pascual's fly-leaf.

Pascual, interviewed by the Sol, said his acquaintance with the Germans dated from the Anarchist Congress at Ferrol in April, 1915. He made a violent speech at the Congress and was immediately invited to call at the German Embassy, where he was received most cordially by the Secretary, Herr Grimm, who spoke enthusiastically of the close relations between the German Embassy and the Syndicalists at Barcelona and offered to assist Pascual to extend anarchist propaganda. Pascual, on the occasion of his next visit to the Embassy, met Von Stohrer, who said the anarchists ought to do their utmost to excite workmen against their employers. Pascual, under Von Stohrer's direction, drafted an anarchist fly-leaf against shipowners, a facsimile of which is reproduced by the Sol. An anarchist meeting at Madrid in 1916 was organised in agreement with the German Embassy. The most violent anarchists participated and fiercely attacked Signor Romanones. By instructions from the Embassy, Pascual one morning was summoned to the German Embassy and ordered to organise a revolutionary strike at Madrid in connection with others arranged at Orléans and elsewhere and to excite the public against Signor Romanones by every possible means. Some of the suggestions so frightened Pascual that he refused to co-operate.

A few days later, the German anarchist agent, Francisco Jardin, arrived from Barcelona and told Pascual that he had come to organise a revolutionary strike. He proposed to cut the communications with Madrid, blow up railway bridges and spread confusion through the country. He said there would be plenty of money and dynamite. Pascual took alarm and the project was dropped. The Germans, however, continued their campaign against Signor Romanones by means of newspapers and leaflets. Herr Grimm, in March, 1917, handed Pascual six hundred pesetas for the purpose of organising disturbances in connection with the Extreme Right, and Von Stohrer arranged that Pascual should break up a meeting to be addressed by Maeterlinck, but the meeting was prohibited at the instance of the German Ambassador.

Pascual discloses the fact that a general strike in August was provoked by German agents among the Syndicalists. The German efforts were afterwards directed to prevent Spanish exports to France and England. Pascual was ordered to excite public opinion against exporters and shipowners. Pascual says the Germans in Barcelona and Bilbao have an understanding with certain sections of the workmen for the purpose of provoking constant strikes, paying the workmen in certain factories regular salaries to provoke conflicts and impede production. Everything is arranged through Syndicalist committees at Barcelona, who organised a general strike for February 11, which is still pending.

These revelations have caused a profound sensation, but the Government has confiscated the Sol and other papers which have ventured to comment thereon and has stopped telegrams to London and Paris.

MONTENEGRO REJECTS PEACE OFFER.

London, March 8.
The Montenegrin Minister for War, in a letter to the Press indignantly denying the rumour that Montenegro may conclude peace with the Central Powers, mentions that two thousand Montenegrins are fighting on the French front. He adds that the Central Powers formally offered the Montenegrin Government peace but it was rejected with contempt.

GERMANY AND SCANDINAVIA.

London, March 8.
According to a message from Stockholm, the Nya Dagligt Allehanda publishes a telegram from the Aelands saying that demoralisation of German troops started on Wednesday morning and was proceeding rapidly. Formidable forces have already landed.

A telegram from Christiania says that the President of the Finnish delegation, addressing the Storthing, complained of the coolness of the reception of the delegation to Norway. The delegation subsequently departed without having an audience with the King as was proposed.

The Morgenbladet dwells on the danger of Scandinavia from a Germanised Finland. The Social Dem craten's Helsingfors correspondent says that a meeting of the Socialist Ministers excitedly discussed the German landing. President Manner declared that he was convinced that the bulk of the Finns would join the Red Guards in war against the Germans.

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